

Lesson Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

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Title: SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Operation/Exercise Name: PROVIDE COMFORT

Observed: 28 Jul 1991

Originator: S-4

POC: MAY BOYD

Commercial:

DSN:

5. (U) OBSERVATION:

In joint/combined operations, MEU's must rely initially on internal assets.

6. (U) DISCUSSION:

The supply distribution system was an evolutionary process. The majority of supplies were distributed internally by MEU organic assets, almost exclusively at first, using both MEU Service Support Group (MSSG) truck assets and the squadron helicopters to get supplies to the units in the field. Once the Joint Task Force B (JTF-B) was set up and running, supply points were set up at both Sirsenk and Zakho, and Kurdish trucks were contracted to deliver supplies to the forward staging bases, with battalion internal assets distributing the supplies to the forward units.

7. (U) LESSON LEARNED:

None.

8. (U) RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the MEU plan on internal assets for supply distribution until the joint logistics can be organized.

9. (U) COMMENTS:

None.

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